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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Tuesday, September 1, 2009
Meeting

A regular meeting of the Nashua Conservation Commission will be held Tuesday, September 1, 2009 at **7:00 PM**, Room 208 City Hall 2nd Floor, 229 Main Street.

A. Call to order

B. Roll call

C. Approval of minutes for:

- August 4, 2009
- August 14, 2009 sidewalk notes, 65 Spit Brook Rd. BAE, Driveway Resurfacing
- August 21, 2009 sidewalk notes, West Hollis Street, Jenson's Trailer Park, and Sewer Project.

D. NCC Correspondence and Communications:

From: New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES)
RE: DES File Number 090730-050
Alteration of Terrain Permit
Tax Map/Lot 29/-26, 64 & 65. , Property located at location at 2, 16 & 26 Marshall Street, Marshall Street Apartments, East Hollis Street.
NHDES is acknowledging the receipt of an application for an Alteration of Terrain Permit.

From: New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES)
RE: Wetland File Number 2009-01721
Standard Dredged and Application
Tax Map/Lot 30/50,104&34, 2, Property located at location at 2 Court Street, 4-6 Cottage Street, Person. NHDES is acknowledging the receipt of an application for a Standard Dredged and Fill Application and has found it administratively complete.

E. Old Business:

1. BAE Systems. (Owner) – Timothy Ferwerda CWS, Meridian Land Services (Applicant). 65 Spit Brook Rd, Sheet A, Lot 12. A pond approximately three (3) acres in size is located along a section of the driveway (entrance road) into the BAE facilities. The project is to resurface the entire length of this roadway. There will be approximately 1,220 sq ft of temporary impact to the “other” 40’ wetland buffer of the pond, which at some points is within 15 to 20’ from the roadway. This property was discussed at the August 4, 2009 Conservation Commission meeting.

F. New Business:

1. John E. Tully (Owner/Applicant), Bruce A. Gilday, BAG Land Consultant, CWS. 110 Middle Dunstable, Sheet B, Lot 2476. The purpose of this application to repave and extend the existing driveway and the installation of a retaining wall within the 40’ buffer of an “other” wetland. There will be approximately 350 sq ft of permanent impacts to the buffer.
2. Charles W. Bell Revocable Trust (Owner). Craig Burch, Proctor Hill Forestry and Logging, LLC. (Applicant). L. Muddy Brook, Sheet I, Lot 15. The land is being managed for timber production, not for development. Timber harvesting will occur during dry or frozen conditions. There are approximately 140,000 ft.² of temporary wetland impacts and 148,000 ft.² of temporary buffer impacts to the 40’ “critical” buffer. Muddy Brook which is classified as a critical wetland. The property is located in the Water Supply Protection District (NRO 190-24) but not within the Conservation Zone.
3. Barry Warhola (Owner/Applicant). 573 S. Main St., Sheet A, Lot 71. The existing house was destroyed by a fire and will be demolished. There will be approximately 795 ft.² of temporary impacts to the 40’ buffer of an “other” wetland buffer.

G. General Discussion

- 2010 Conservation Commission meeting and deadline dates draft calendar, approval required.

➤ **Transportation Enhancement**

Grant Applications- The city is considering to submit one or more of three (3) grant applications to the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, Transportation Enhancement (TE) 2009-2010 program. This is a statewide competitive application round

and the projects may or may not be selected for funding. Prior to submitting the application(s) the city is inviting public comments on the projects. At this meeting the public will be given the opportunity to offer comments on the projects. The application deadline for submission is September 15, 2009. The following three (3) projects are being considered.

- o Project A: Heritage Rail Trail Extension and Bridge Repair. The project would acquire 600 feet of abandoned rail including the bridge over Commercial Street and would complete the construction of two parcels acquired two years ago with TE funds from Main Street to Quincy Street. The Heritage Rail Trail west of Main Street was completed in 1999. The goal is to continue the Heritage Rail Trail east of Main Street to Temple Street, connecting Downtown Nashua with a site on East Hollis Street which has been identified as a potential commuter rail train station.
- o Project B: Nashua River Rail Trail Expansion. This project consists of design and construction of sections of the Nashua River Trail systems in the southwest quadrant to connect Downtown Nashua through Mine Falls to trails including the Nashua to Ayer Rail Trail. These connections will include improving sections of existing roadway corridors and the expansion and utilization of both on and off road trail sections. The expansion of the trails system will facilitate improved mobility within neighborhoods, connect residential and commercial activities and promote greater opportunity for commuter travel.
- o Project C: -Rotary Common Pedestrian Bridge. Rotary Common is located on Salmon Brook at the southern end of Main Street. This project consists of removing structural elements to expose an historic stone arch bridge where the Salmon Brook flows under Main Street. This project serves to promote the historic significant of this site and improve pedestrian access along the Main Street. The reclamation of the historic stone arch bridge will showcase an historic transportation element, serve as a linkage to the past and document the importance of waterways in promoting commerce. Improvement to this site will promote increased use of the existing pedestrian access (sidewalks) and serve as a reminder of how roadways and the bridges continue to be used to promote commerce as well as serve to promote intermodal transportation opportunities.

- Letter from Katherine Hersh, Director of Community Development, dated August 14, 2009, Subject Mike Low's Property.
- Project update on the Nashua River Watershed Association's Progress Reports for parcels # 32, 49, 60, and 63 and other easements.
- Discussion on a future date to tour Heritage Trail
- Discussion on arranging a future date for a CC service day- clean-up
- Flood Insurance Study (FIS) and Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), update on the revised maps, effective dated September 25, 2009 and the pending amendments to the current floodplain management language.
- 5 Searles Road and 33 Main Dunstable Road. The Conservation Commission most recently discussed this on June 3, 2008. The approval

letter of December 18, 2007 included several stipulations, including # 9 to address the invasive species.

- 5 Pine Street Extension, Riverside Properties, last discussed June 3, 2008 update.
- Thoreau's Landing, Walden Pond Drive update on bank stabilization. The Conservation Commission last discussed on March 4, 2008.

H. Informational Items

- The Source, Newsletter of the NHDES Water Source Protection Program, Summer 2009- Stressed Basins, Project Overview
- Letter from Bob Robbins, Lower Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (LMRLAC), dated August 12, 2009 regarding the Manchester Regional Airport, 2009 Airport Master Plan Update.
- 2010 Nashua Conservation Commission Draft Meeting Dates.

I. Project Updates by Commissioners

J. Non-Public Session

K. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 15, 2009

Please turn off cell phones and pagers. Thank you.